

MEMORIAM FOR ANNA SUGI, COMMUNITY LEADER AND HEALTH CARE VISIONARY

**HON. JERRY LEWIS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 21, 2010*

Mr. LEWIS of California. Madam Speaker, I would like to join today with my friend and colleague Congressman BUCK McKEON in a memorial to Anna Sugi, a community leader and pioneering advocate for women's health issues in her hometown of Apple Valley, California. Ms. Sugi passed away Dec. 16, but will be long-remembered by her friends and supporters.

A native of Brindisi, Italy, Anna Sugi came to Apple Valley in 1982, when her husband Ron Sugi was stationed at the former George Air Force Base in California's High Desert region.

After an education in health care, Anna Sugi took a job as an office clerk in a local medical office. Over 20 years, she worked her way up to become the chief administrative officer of Choice Medical Group, a High Desert medical provider that has specialized in women's health. Under her leadership, the group established a Health and Wellness Center in 2008, focusing on helping women through the process of aging.

Working to expand health outreach efforts to the all members of the community, Anna Sugi in 2000 founded the Today's Woman Expo. The first events drew a few hundred people for information on preventive health care and providing tools to help women improve their lives and physical well-being.

The event has grown tremendously, serving more than 2,000 women annually in the past few years. They are provided free breast exams, career counseling and an expanding range of services. Today's Woman is now a non-profit foundation that provides health screenings throughout the year and raises funds for scholarships and grants to High Desert women.

Beyond her pioneering work with the Expo, Anna Sugi has served on the Chamber of Commerce Legislative Committee and is a 13-year member of Rotary International Victorville Chapter. She has worked with High Desert Resources Network on programs to fight childhood obesity. She was honored in 2009 by the Victorville Daily Press as one of the area's Most Inspiring Women.

Even as she became a leader in bringing women's health care to the entire community, Anna Sugi waged her own quiet battle against breast cancer. Yet she continued working hard on expanding women's health services until dying peacefully at age 50. In addition to her legacy of service, Ms. Sugi leaves a personal legacy in her children, Mark and Michelle, who will both graduate from UCLA Medical School in June and plan to continue her work in community health.

Madam Speaker, Anna Sugi was respected and loved throughout the High Desert region. A group of physicians have already raised \$35,000 for the Anna Sugi Endowment Fund to provide scholarships for needy students. I ask my colleagues to join Congressman McKEON and me in offering condolences to her family, and in praising the life and legacy of this community leader.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 21, 2010*

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 652 on, H. Con. Res. 336, on Agreeing to the Resolution, Providing for the sine die adjournment of the second session of the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 653 on, H. Res. 1776, on Agreeing to the Resolution, Providing for consideration of the joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 654 on, H.R. 2142, on Motion to Suspend the Rules and Concur in the Senate Amendment, GPRA Modernization Act of 2010, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 655 on, H.R. 5510, on Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, Aiding Those Facing Foreclosure Act of 2010, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 656 on, S. 3874, on Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

HONORING FERNANDO JOSE MOLLEDA RAMIREZ

**HON. THOMAS S.P. PERRIELLO**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 21, 2010*

Mr. PERRIELLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Fernando Jose Molleda Ramirez, who was with us from December 21, 1976 through August 22, 2008.

Beloved son of Oscar and Elia Molleda; loving brother to Diego and Diana. You are dearly missed by your family and friends for the profound way you touched our lives and always sought to bring out the best in us. Your efforts will be long remembered and will continue to drive us in the future to exceed our expectations of what we are capable of accomplishing.

I have only slipped away into the next room. Whatsoever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by my old familiar name, speak to me in the easy way which you always used to. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be the household word that it always was. Let it be spoken without effort. Life means all that it has ever meant. It is the same as it ever was, there is absolutely unbroken continuity.

Why should I be out of your mind because I am out of your sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just around the corner. All is well. Nothing is past, nothing is lost. One brief moment and all will be as it was before, only better, infinitely happier and forever—we will be one with God.

JEANETTE TRUJILLO-LUCERO

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and applaud Jeanette Trujillo-Lucero for her outstanding service to our community.

Jeanette has been committed to the preservation of the cultural traditions of the Mexican and Spanish dance and music arts for its community. She has strived to create an understanding and appreciation of the Latino culture through educational programs and professional performance.

Jeanette founded the Colorado Fiesta Dance Company in 1972. Her Lakewood based studio impacts over sixty thousand people through educational outreach and performances. Jeanette's outreach programs include a full array of offerings tailor made for grades K-12 where students discover the Hispanic arts and come to understand the roots of the culture and its traditions.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jeanette Trujillo-Lucero for her well deserved recognition by the West Chamber serving Jefferson County. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

IN HONOR OF F. MIKE MILES

**HON. DOUG LAMBORN**

OF COLORADO

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Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. F. Mike Miles—the Superintendent of Harrison School District Two in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mike is an innovative educator who has brought sweeping changes to the students and teachers in his district. Our local newspaper, the Colorado Springs Gazette notes, "local and state educators are watching because Miles is in the vanguard of educators nationwide who are using controversial techniques in an attempt to turn around failing schools." Most recently, Miles implemented the most rigorous and innovative pay-for-performance plan in the Nation.

Mike, who was born in the Panama Canal Zone, was one of eight children born to retired Army Sergeant Major Floyd Miles and his wife, Chiyo. Mike and his siblings worked hard in school and promised their father when he deployed to Vietnam that they would all graduate from college. All of them did.

After graduating as valedictorian from Fountain-Fort Carson High School, he earned a degree in engineering from West Point, where he was eighth in his class. He then joined the ranks of the officer corps at Fort Lewis, Washington, where he served in the Army's elite